



# THE COLONIST.



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## BY TELEGRAPH.

**SARNIA ARRIVES AT HALIFAX.**

**Her Passage a Rough One.**

**QUEEN VICTORIA VISITS ITALY AND PARIS.**

**Spain's Order to England.**

**ENGLAND AND THE UNITED STATES.**

HALIFAX, N.S., Jan. 24.  
The steamship Sarnia, from Liverpool with Canadian mails, whilst on her way from Baltimore met with fearful weather, the cargo shifted causing a heavy list. The cargo is being adjusted at Halifax.

Queen Victoria will stay one night in Paris, on her way to Italy, to receive President Carnot. The Spanish government will order from England camp equipage and hospital stores for twenty-five thousand men.

Senator Hoar has introduced a resolution in Washington Senate for opening negotiations with England and Canada to make the Welland canal free, and to construct a free-ship canal from the Bay of Fundy to the St. Lawrence, also the freedom of the Suez and Panama canals.

**Special to the Colonist.**

**NEWS FROM PLACENTIA.**

PLACENTIA, this forenoon.  
The mail arrived, having been delayed four days. The horse perished in a snow drift. The roads are almost impassable. The schr. McCoy called here en route for Boston, with frozen herring. Five American vessels passed out this Bay the day before yesterday.

**CAPE RACE DESPATCH.**

CAPE RACE, today.  
Wind S.W., fresh and dull. The barquentine Adamantine went inward at 2.15 yesterday.

**OUR ADVERTISING PATRONS.**

Auction—property..... A O Hayward  
Flour and bacon..... Shea & Co  
H.I.E.S. meeting..... M W Furlong  
T. A. dramatic club rehearsal..... see advt

## AUCTION SALES.

**TO BE SOLD,**  
(If not previously disposed of by private sale)

**BY PUBLIC AUCTION, on the Premises, at 12 o'clock, noon, the following property belonging to the estate of the late Nathan Norman, situate at Brigus, viz.: The premises known as the Battery Property, including the Waterside. Also, a Store, southeast of the public wharf, with the Waterside; also, the Store and Waterside at the head of the public wharf. The same will be sold together or in lots to suit purchasers. Possession given immediately if required. The above property is admirably adapted to carry on a bank or general fishery business. For further particulars apply to**

**MUNDEN NORMAN,**  
Executor (Brigus.)  
**A. O. HAYWARD,**  
Solicitor (St. John's.)  
**W. A. GREEN,**  
(Brigus) Auctioneer.  
jan24, t.th.s&m,fp

**TO BE SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION,**  
At 12 o'clock, noon, Thursday, 26th inst.  
ON THE PREMISES,

**ALL THE RIGHT, TITLE AND INTEREST OF JOHN SHEEHAN, of, in and to the unexpired term of 33 years in the DWELLING HOUSE, situate on the west side of Cochrane Street, and adjoining CALLAHAN'S bakery.**  
Ground Rent \$19.20. Particulars on application to

**DRYER & GREENE, Auctioneers,**  
or to **M. J. O'MARA, Solicitor.**  
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## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

### FOR SALE

**By Shea & Co.**

250 bbls Choice Super. } FLOUR.  
150 bbls No. 2 Extra  
350 bbls Choice Baltimore Ex.

**1000 Barrels**  
**SUP. EX. 'ROCKET' FLOUR**

**2 cas. Baltimore Bacon.**  
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**REHEARSAL NOTICE**

**THE T.A.B. DRAMATIC Club** will please attend a Rehearsal at half-past Seven o'clock, tonight.  
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## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

### H.I.E.S.

**A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE H. I. E. Society** will be held in their Hall on tomorrow (WEDNESDAY) Evening, at 7.30 o'clock. As matters of very great importance will come before the meeting all are requested to attend.  
By order, **M. W. FURLONG,** Secretary.  
jan24, li

**ASHIPMENT**  
—OF—  
**Imperial Invalid Stout**

**BARCLAY, PERKINS & CO'S.**

**Just Received, per steamer Assyrian,**  
—AND FOR SALE AT THE—  
**ARMY & NAVY DEPOT**  
jan18, 1w,fp



**Post Office Notice.**

### NORTHERN WINTER ROUTE.

**Mails for Northern Districts**

will be despatched from this office on  
**TUESDAY, 24th January**  
**TUESDAY, 7th and 21st February**  
**TUESDAY, 6th and 20th March**  
**TUESDAY, 3rd and 17th April**  
and will close at 8 o'clock on morning of despatch.  
General Post Office,  
St. John's, 17th Jan., '88.  
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**FAMILY MESS PORK.**

**Just Landed, ex steamer Portia,**  
**50 BARRELS VERY CHOICE**

**Light Fam. Mess Pork**  
—FOR SALE BY—  
**WEST & RENDELL.**  
jan21, 3fp, eod

**CITY CLUB, LIMITED**

The Annual Meeting will be held in the Club Rooms, Water Street, on **WEDNESDAY Evening, the 25th instant, at 8 o'clock.**

**EDWARD SHEA, Secretary.**  
jan14, 18, 25, fp

**Battle of Fontenoy!**

**NOW READY!**

**PICTURE OF BATTLE OF FONTENOY.**

—AND FOR SALE AT THE—  
**Cromo-Copying Co's. House,**

**One door west Furniture Show-rooms.**  
This picture is handsomely executed, and shows the exact position of the gallant Irish Brigade on that memorable day.  
Framed in different styles to suit purchasers. Orders executed with dispatch.  
jan13

**A CARD.**

**PROFESSOR O'BRIEN WISHES TO** inform the Public of St. John's that application for the services of Quadrille Band, left at the ATLANTIC Hotel, will receive his immediate attention.  
jan17, 1w,fp

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**No. 12 New Gower Street, St John's, N.F.**  
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At Moderate Rates.

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**V. ANDREOLI,**  
No. 12, New Gower-st.  
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## New Advertisements.

**PREPARE!**

**FOR THE GRAND MASQUERADE AND FANCY DRESS CARNIVAL.**

—TO BE HELD IN THE—

**City Skating Rink, Tuesday Evening, Feb 7th--Ice permitting**

**The Juvenile Fancy Dress Carnival will be held on TUESDAY, Feb. 21st--Programme will appear in due course.**

These Carnivals will open with a Grand Tableau, prepared by the New York Band, the like of which was never witnessed before in Newfoundland.  
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**J. W. FORAN.**

**THE LADIES OF THE**  
**St. Vincent de Paul Society**

Reg to announce that they intend having a

**CHILDREN'S FANCY DRESS ENTERTAINMENT**

**This Tuesday Even'g, in St. Patrick's Hall**

in aid of their Funds for the relief of the poor, and they trust that the object for which the entertainment is to be given will secure for it the same kindly and generous support which has always been accorded, by the benevolent and charitable, to their efforts for a like purpose on many previous occasions.

**Dancing from 5 to 9 o'clock.**

Admission 50cts.; Spectators 50cts. Children not having Fancy Costumes can attend with Party Dresses.

In connection with the above Entertainment, there will be dancing for Ladies and Gentlemen from 9 to 2 o'clock. Tickets—Fifty cents each.  
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**Builders' -- Supply -- Store.**

**Water-Street.**

**We have been appointed agent for Barnes' Patent Foot-and-Hand Power Builders' Machinery.**

**SEND FOR ILLUSTRATED CATALOGUE.**

**William Campbell.**  
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**"The Gloucester."**

**The Gloucester Tarred Cotton Line**

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IT IS twenty per cent. stronger than any other Cotton Line.  
IT IS more easily handled than any other Cotton Line.  
IT WILL stand more rough usage and wear better than any other Cotton Line, and it is the cheapest Cotton Line in the market. Made in all sizes. See that every dozen bears the trade mark, "THE GLOUCESTER." None other genuine.  
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**NOW READY FOR DELIVERY**

**Doctor Howley's History of Newfoundland.**

**\$2.50 a copy. Cash must accompany all orders.**  
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**GREAT BARGAINS**

**CHILDREN'S SLIPPERS AND SHOES**

**J., J. & L. Furlongs cheap Sale.**

Boys' Patent Alberts,  
Boys' Buttoned Shoes,  
Girls' Patent Strapp Slippers,  
Girls' Kid Shoes.  
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**ON SALE.**

**2 PAIRS CURLING STONES.**

Apply at this office.  
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**NOTICE.**

**PERSONS REQUIRING their Books** written up and accounts collected, can have the same by applying in writing. ADDRESS  
"P." COLONIST Office.  
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**M. & J. TOBIN**

**TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY OF** wishing their customers A Happy New Year and would respectfully remind them that they have in Stock, and selling at lowest cash prices, the following items:  
Bread, Flour, Pork, Beef, Hams, Bacon, Molasses, Tea, Coffee, Sugar, Spices, Pickles, Sauces, Jams, Syrups, Citron and Lemon peel, Raisins, Currants, etc.

—ALSO—  
A splendid assortment of Knives and Forks, Table Dessert and Tea Spoons, Wine Glasses, Tumblers, Decanters, Lamps, Chimneys, Burners, A variety of Sleigh Bells, Neck and Body Straps, &c., &c.  
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**Crystallized & Granulated SUGARS.**

10 barrels Crystallized Sugar  
10 barrels Granulated Sugar  
**CLIFT, WOOD & CO.**  
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## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.



**PUBLIC NOTICE.**

**SHEEP PRESERVATION**

The following Sections of the Acts 47th Vic., Cap. VII., and 50th Vic., Cap. IX., for the Preservation of Sheep, are published in a consolidated form for the information of the Public—

I.—It shall be lawful for the duly qualified Electors, resident within an area or District within this Colony, to present to the Governor in Council a Petition or Requisition in the form prescribed by the Schedule to this Act, or as near thereto as may be, setting forth the limits or boundaries within which such area or District is comprised, and the names of the Towns, Harbors, or Settlements included therein, and praying for a Proclamation prohibiting the keeping of Dogs within such area or District.

II.—Such Petition or Requisition shall be sent to the nearest resident Stipendiary Magistrate, and shall be by him (after examination and certificate as hereinafter provided) furnished to the Governor in Council.

III.—If, upon due scrutiny of such Petition or Requisition, the Stipendiary Magistrate shall find that the same contains the bona fide signatures of One-third of the duly qualified Electors resident within the limits or boundaries set forth in the said Petition or Requisition, he shall forthwith make a Certificate to that effect endorsed upon or attached to the Petition or Requisition, and shall forward the same to the Governor in Council.

IV.—Any Stipendiary Magistrate to whom such Petition or Requisition may be presented may, before certifying the same to the Governor in Council as aforesaid, require proof to be made before him of the bona fide signature of any of the names subscribed to such Petition upon the oath of either the party whose name purports to be signed or of the witness to such signature.

V.—Upon receipt of any such Petition or Requisition containing the signatures of not less than One-third of the Electors resident within any such area or District, certified as aforesaid, the Governor in Council shall issue a Proclamation or Public Notice prohibiting the keeping of Dogs within such area or District.

VI.—From and after the day prescribed in and by such Proclamation or Notice, it shall not be lawful for any person resident within such area or District to keep, or to have in his possession, or under his control, any Dog within the area or District to which such Proclamation or Notice shall relate, under a penalty not exceeding Fifty Dollars, or imprisonment for a term not exceeding Three Months. This prohibition shall not apply to any person or persons travelling or passing through such areas or Districts and having a Licensed Dog or Dogs in his or their possession, charge or control, and not at large.

VII.—It shall be the duty of all Police Constables to kill all Dogs found by them in any area or District in which the keeping of Dogs is prohibited under this Act, except Shepherd Dogs or Collies, and those excepted under the next preceding Section, and all such Dogs not so excepted may be killed by any person whomsoever. And it shall be lawful for any person to destroy any Dog kept in contravention of the provisions of this Act.

VIII.—After such Proclamation or Notice shall have issued, as aforesaid, no new Petition or Requisition on the same subject shall be presented from such area or District until the expiration of Ten Years from the date of such Proclamation or Notice; and, if no such Petition or Requisition be presented within Three Months after the expiration of such Proclamation or Notice, with reference to any such area or District, shall be considered as agreed to by the Electors of such area or District, and a new Proclamation or Notice shall issue, as of course, containing the provisions of the former Proclamation or Notice, which shall continue in full effect for Ten Years from the expiration thereof.

All penalties under this Act may be sued for and recovered in a summary manner before a Stipendiary Magistrate or Justice of the Peace, and all fines shall be paid to the person who shall give information of the offence and prosecute the offender to conviction.  
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## SCHEDULE.

FORM OF PETITION OR REQUISITION:  
To His Excellency the Governor in Council:  
The Petition of the undersigned humbly sheweth—  
That your Petitioners are duly qualified Electors residing in an area or section of the Electoral District of \_\_\_\_\_, comprised and bounded as follows:—

That the said area or section contains the following Towns, (or Harbors, or Settlements), as the case may be).

That your Petitioners are desirous, and humbly pray Your Excellency in Council, that a Proclamation or Notice be issued under the provisions of an Act passed in the Forty-seventh year of the Reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, Chapter 7, entitled "An Act to provide for the better Preservation of Sheep, and for other purposes," prohibiting the keeping of Dogs within the above-described area or section of the said District, and Petitioners will ever pray.

Dated at \_\_\_\_\_, the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 188 \_\_\_\_.  
**D. W. PROWSE,**  
**J. G. CONROY,**  
Stip. Magistrates of Newfoundland.

POLICE OFFICE,  
St. John's, Nov. 30, '87.

**CARD.**

**THOS. J. MURPHY,**  
Barrister-at-Law, Attorney, etc.,  
**LAW OFFICE—284 Duckworth Street,**  
St. John's, - - - New-f'd.

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## Poetry.

## INCOMPLETENESS.

Not he who first beholds the aloe grow  
 May think to gaze upon its perfect flower,  
 He tends, he hopes; but o'er the blossom blow,  
 There needs a century of sun and shower.

He shall not see the product of his toil;  
 Yet were his work neglected or ill-done,  
 Did he not prune the boughs or dig the soil,  
 That perfect blossoms ne'er might meet the sun.

Perhaps he has no prescience of its hue,  
 Naught of its form and fragrance can foretell  
 Yet in each sun-shaft, in each bed of dew,  
 Faith, passing knowledge, tells him he does well.

Our lives, O fellow-men! pass even so,  
 We watch and toil, and with no seeming gain:  
 The future, which no mortal may foreknow,  
 May prove our labor was not all in vain.

But what we sow we may hope to reap,  
 Perfect fruition may not seek to win;  
 Not till, work-wearied, we have fallen asleep,  
 Shall blossom blow, or fruit be gathered in.

Let it be so. Upon our darkened eyes  
 A light more pure than noontide rays shall  
 Shine.

If pain of ours have helped our race to rise,  
 By just one hair's-breadth, nearer the divine.

Upward and outward, plant-like life extends;  
 Grows fairer as it doth more aspire;  
 Nevermore completed, evermore it sends  
 A branch out, striving higher still and higher.

Because so great, it must be incomplete,  
 Have endless possibilities of growth,  
 Strength to grow stronger, sweetness still more  
 Sweet,  
 Yearning towards God, who is the source of  
 both. —Chambers' Journal.

## POPES NAMED LEO.

Brief Biographical Notices  
of These Pontiffs.

## MEN WORTHY OF REIGNING.

Incidents of the Most Memorable Epochs  
in the Church's History.

Among the numerous names assumed by the successors of St. Peter when they ascended the Pontifical throne, there is none which is symbolic of more sanctity, prudence, zeal and enterprise than that of Leo. The first to bear that name was elevated to the Chair of Peter in this world, and to the rank of saint in consequence of his holy life and courage in the defence of God's Church. St. Leo I., surnamed the Great, was a member of a noble Tuscan family. He was born in Rome and governed the Church from A. D. 440 to 461. During his eventful pontificate he rendered immense services both to religion and to mankind. When on his missionary career he was sent to Gaul in order to bring about peace between Aetius and Albinus, two great chieftains, and it was whilst on this mission of mercy that he was chosen as Sovereign Pontiff.

## Pope St. Leo the Great's Conquests.

During the period of his reign Italy was invaded for a second time by Attila, the ferocious king of the Huns, who is known in history as "The Scourge of God," and this ruthless invader marched his savage horde up to the very gates of Rome. The city was about to be given up to the ravages of the red-handed Huns, who were bent on massacre and pillage, when an appeal was made to Pope Leo I., who, assuming the sacerdotal garb of his high and holy office, went fearlessly forth single-handed to meet a foe whose fury had only been partially satiated in the blood of all who had opposed his sanguinary career.

The holy Pontiff's venerable aspect, the fame of his sanctity, the demonstration of his courage, and the heaven-inspired eloquence with which he pleaded for the lives and homes of the people of Rome, prevailed over the blood-thirsty intentions of Attila. The city was saved, and the barbarian horde was ordered to retire, and peace was concluded with the empire on condition of an assumed tribute on the part of the rescued inhabitants. From the supernatural circumstances by which Rome was thus saved, arose the time-honored legend that Pope St. Leo I., during his interview with Attila, beheld the Apostles St. Peter and St. Paul, holding drawn swords over his head, and menacing him with instant death if he rejected the prayer of the holy Pontiff.

Two years later Pope Leo I. gained a similar peaceful victory over the fierce Genseric and his Vandal host, who also laid siege to Rome. The city, entirely at the mercy of its conquerors, was about to be given up to fire and sword, when the Great Leo, attended by his clergy, went forth to sue again for the safety of the lives and property of the citizens of Rome. Again the Pope was influential over the invader, a treaty being made which greatly lessened the evils which threatened Rome and its people.

Pope St. Leo I., by his tender devotion to our Blessed Redeemer, and the zeal with which he defended the dogma of the Incarnation, was deeply penetrated with our Blessed Savior's spirit of poverty and humility, from whence sprang—

as from a fruitful vine—all that ardent charity, that super-eminent greatness of soul, and that divinely-inspired, invincible courage so singularly conspicuous in every action throughout his holy life. He died in 461, after a Pontificate of 21 years.

## Pope St. Leo the Second.

This Pontiff was by birth a Sicilian, eminent for his piety and his erudition, being especially skilled in both sacred and profane literature, as well as in the Latin and Greek tongues, and a master of Church music. Pope Agatho, dying on the 1st of December, 651, Pope St. Leo second succeeded him. Although his Pontificate continued only eighteen months, he improved the Gregorian chant, composed several sacred hymns still extant in the Church, and accomplished many things for the spread of piety among the clergy and laity. He pointed out the path to Christian perfection no less by the example of his life than by his assiduous instructions and his eloquent exhortations. He went to his heavenly reward on May 23rd, in the year 683.

## Pope St. Leo the Third.

This Pontiff was by birth a Roman, and governed the Church from the year 795 to 816. During the fourth year of his Pontificate, as he was present in a procession which was marching through the streets of Rome, he was unexpectedly confronted by a band of hired assassins who savagely assaulted him and carried him off a prisoner in full view of all the priests and people in the procession. Having subsequently effected his escape from prison, and being furnished by an Italian nobleman with a strong military escort, Pope St. Leo III. crossed the Alps in order to solicit the help of Charlemagne in subduing the miscreants who attempted to murder him at the instigation of the conspirators who hired them. Charlemagne acceded to the Pontiff's request and Leo returned to his capital with a large escort of French troops, being received by the people and clergy of Rome with every manifestation of joy.

The coterie of the Pontiff's enemies who still lived in the Eternal City, finding that they could not circumvent his death, determined to run him by calumny. Accordingly they put in circulation the most gross and libellous detractions they could invent, but when Charlemagne learned of this new system of wicked warfare against the holy Pontiff, he set out for Rome, where he assembled a council of the clergy, nobles, and other influential persons, for the purpose of checking the tide of calumny which was flowing through society against the immaculate character of the Vicar of Christ. Charlemagne asked the immense concourse to join in the investigation, but the prelates and priests present unanimously replied: "We dare not judge the Apostolic See, which is the head of all the Churches of God." The Holy Father then stood up and made this declaration: "I tread in the footsteps of the Popes, my predecessors; and I am ready to clear myself of all the false charges which have been iniquitously brought against me." No one having meanwhile repeated or attempted to substantiate the slanderous statements against the persecuted Pontiff, the Pope voluntarily made oath upon the Holy Evangelists that he was not guilty, either directly or indirectly, of a single charge circulated by his calumniators, and after all the assemblage had given God thanks for this grand vindication of their Pontiff's character, their convocation came to an end.

The memorable scene occurred in St. Peter's, Rome, on Christmas Eve, and as the great Charlemagne was praying in the church on Christmas Day, the Pope entered, attended by a long retinue of clergy, who bore a magnificent crown, emblematic of the imperial dignity, and placed it lovingly on the monarch's head. Seeing such a manifestation of gratitude on the part of God's Viceroy, the vast congregation of Romans present exclaimed, as with one voice: "Long life and victory to Charles, the Pious Augustus, crowned by God, the great and peace-giving Emperor!"

Then the Pontiff anointed with holy oils the Emperor of the West and his only son, and Charles the Great bound himself by oath ever to act as the protector and defender of the Church of God, an oath which he rigorously kept to his death—which occurred January 8th, in the year 814, in the seventy-second year of his age, and forty-seventy year of his reign as King, and the fourteenth as Emperor.

Pope St. Leo III. did not long survive his faithful friend and victorious vindicator, as he departed this life, in the order of sanctity, in the year of our Lord 816. He was seated on the Throne of Peter twenty years, five months and seventeen days ere he went to receive that crown which an ever-merciful Saviour has in store for those who love and serve Him and are always prepared to suffer for His greater glory.

(to be continued.)

The Prince and Princess of Wales will celebrate their silver wedding, March 10th.

An old law that provides for the whipping of tramps has been revived in Florida.

The Boston police force numbers 800 men. It made 30,000 arrests last year, of which 19,000 were for drunkenness.

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 Men's India Rubber Shoes  
 Women's I. R. Shoes—30cts per pair  
 Paper Collars—80cts per one hundred.

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R. HARVEY.

## CARD.

WILLIAM CLAPP,  
SOLICITOR, &c.Office: Telegram Building, Duckworth-St.  
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Magazines and New Books.

## FEBRUARY NO. LADIES' JOURNAL

January No. Family Herald  
 January No. Weldon's Ladies' Journal  
 January No. Harper's Monthly  
 January No. Century Magazine  
 January No. London Journal  
 McGregor's Nautical Almanac for 1888  
 Marine Engineers Almanac for 1888  
 Whittaker's Almanac for 1888  
 Chambers' Journal for 1887  
 Sartor Resartus—by Thos Carlyle; cloth 30cts  
 History of the French Revolution—by Thos. Carlyle; cloth, only 90cts.  
 London Journal—vol viii—new series  
 The Ladies' Treasury for 1887.

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J. F. Chisholm.

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 Butter, Lard, Belfast Hams, Belfast Bacon,  
 Cork Bacon, American Hams, Beef in tins,  
 Brawn in tins, Lunch Tongue in tins, Tea, Coffee,  
 Cocoa, Chocolate, Condensed Milk,  
 Brown and White Sugar, Molasses,  
 Mont Bernard Tobacco, Myrtle Navy Tobacco,  
 Crown Chewing Tobacco, T D Pipes, W S Pipes,  
 A F Pipes, Catamaran Pipes, Matches, Sole Leather,  
 Shoe Pegs, Kerosene Oil, Lamp Chimneys,  
 Lamp Wicks, Lamp Burners, Brackets, Brooms,  
 Wash Boards. Soap:—Scotch, Colgate, Family,  
 Laundry, Superfine, No. 1, Ivory and an assorted  
 lot fancy scented Soaps. Also a full stock of—  
 Wines & Spirits, Specially Selected.

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## TESTIMONIALS.

In Favour of Calpin's Patent Anchor.

THOMAS CALPIN:—

St. John's, Dec. 8, 1887.

DEAR SIR,—Having used one of your Patent Anchors on board my vessel on the Banks as a riding anchor, I must say it gave me entire satisfaction and merits all the praise I can give it, and would advise all in the trade to adopt this anchor so as to be rid of the entanglement of stock and top flukes, which would be a great relief. I have also used your Patent Anchor for trawl mooring and must say gave entire satisfaction.

CAPT. MORGAN HALLETT.

Schr. Daisy Maud, Burin

MR. T. S. CALPIN:—

St. John's, Dec. 9, 1887.

DEAR SIR,—Having had one of your Patent Anchors on the Grand Banks, and used it in Sydney and elsewhere, and its holding powers are surprising; and I believe in time it will be the only Anchor used by bankers and others.

CAPT. GEORGE BONNELL.

schr. May Bell, Burin.

T. S. CALPIN:—

BURIN, Nov. 10th, 1887.

SIR,—Having used your Patent Anchor this summer, on the Grand Banks, for a riding anchor, it held my craft firm and secure in all the gales. The non-hazardous action under the bow and on the rail, in a heavy swell, all of which proves it to be an invaluable invention when compared with the old mud-hook. Yours respectfully,

CAPT. JOSEPH GODDARD.

Schr. Happy-Go-Lucky.

[Copy.]

THE PARSONAGE, FOGO, 23rd Aug. 1887.

J. L. DUCHEMIN, Esq.:—

DEAR SIR,—Please send me a small Calpin's Patent Anchor, 25 to 30 pounds; but not over 30 or under 20 pounds weight. I intend to do away with grapnels, the anchors works so well.

Yours, etc.,

dec9,11w,3m.

(Signed), C. WOOD.

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 or any injurious materials.  
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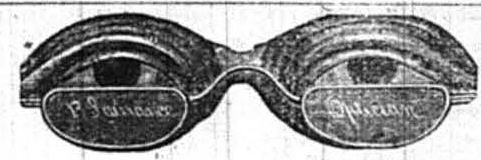
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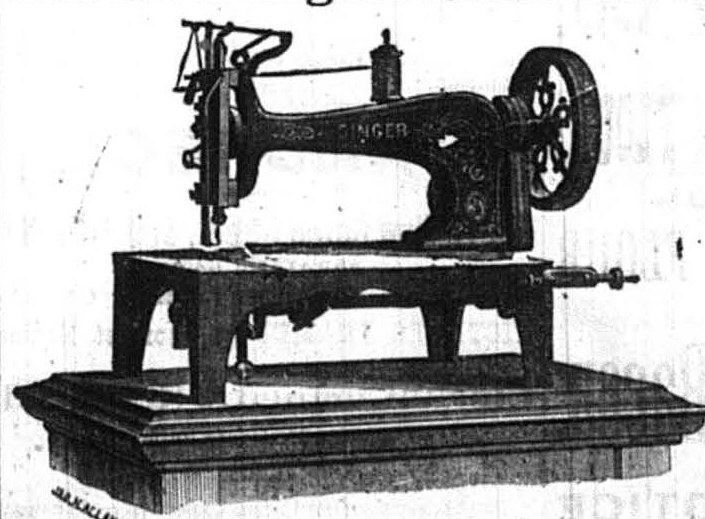
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## A Dreadful Mistake

[BY THE COUNTESS.]

PART II.

## CHAPTER I.

Lord, keep my memory green.

A BRIGHT May morning, and Selwyn Castle looks unusually gay and beautiful in the golden sunbeams. Years have passed since Lord Selwyn returned, dressed in deep mourning, bringing with him his motherless child. He had sorrowed as one who has no hope. His face had altered; it had grown grave with a gravity and sadness that never died away.

Lord Vivian truly mourned for his lost wife. All her little failings and shortcomings were forgotten. He only remembered the beautiful, graceful girl, whose shy timidity had seemed to him so pretty and winning, whose passionate love for himself had made him the happiest of men. He remembered her with the bitterest sorrow, for his conscience was not wholly free from reproach.

He could see, now, that he had not been patient with her, that though his love for her in reality never lessened, yet he had appeared careless and indifferent. Poor, tender, sweet Violante! How the fair young face and bright golden head rose before him—unfathomable love in the violet eyes—and she had been driven from her home to death!

The only comfort he ever enjoyed, was with his son Rupert—Rupert who had his mother's eyes and golden hair.

Mrs. Selwyn and Beatrice Leigh spent the greater part of their time with him, and Beatrice devoted herself to his boy. To say that her love for this handsome, melancholy master of Selwyn Castle increased every day, is to speak mildly. He was free now, and she might love him as she would. But he never seemed to know anything about it. He was kind to her, as he always had been; affectionate as though he were her brother; attentive and chivalrous, as he had ever been. But there was no love. Her grand beauty, her wondrous grace, her thousand charms of manner, her high-bred ease and elegance, never seemed to arouse him into anything more than a passing tribute of admiration. All his love seemed to be buried in his wife's grave. In vain did Beatrice try upon him arts and fascinations that must have brought any other man to her feet. He was invulnerable; and the shield he wore was the memory of a sweet young face, with tender lips and tender eyes.

An accident brought about that which afterward happened—his marriage with Miss Leigh. Her superb beauty brought her many admirers; she refused all offers. But there was one so eligible at last, that even Mrs. Selwyn remonstrated. It was from the young Lord Eyrton, the head of one of the noblest families in England. He was deeply in love with her. He made her an offer, and she refused him. Then it was that Mrs. Selwyn spoke, and entreated her beautiful ward not to throw every chance of a good marriage away.

'I do not love the man,' said Miss Leigh, proudly; 'and I shall marry no man whom I do not love.'

'But, my dearest Beatrice,' said Mrs. Selwyn, 'with your beauty and your talents, you do not surely intend to live and die an old maid. Do you love no one?'

'I alone am responsible for my own loves and my own dislikes,' she replied; and Mrs. Selwyn stood too much in awe of her to repeat the question.

'Why are you looking so grave mother?' asked Lord Vivian of Mrs. Selwyn that evening.

She sat alone in the drawing-room with an expression of deep thought and anxiety on her placid comely face.

'I am thinking of Beatrice,' she replied; 'I am not happy over her. I am her guardian, yet I can not help thinking that I have somehow failed in my trust.'

'Why?' he asked, smiling at the idea of Miss Leigh requiring any guardian.

'I do not quite know,' she replied. 'I am annoyed that she has refused Lord Eyrton; there is not a truer or better man in England. Such an unexceptionable marriage. He is very wealthy,

and Beatrice would have made an admirable mistress for Eyrton Court. She has refused him and he is very unhappy.'

'Why did she do it?' he asked. 'She says she does not love him,' replied Mrs. Selwyn, 'and that she will only marry a man she does love.'

'I married for love,' said Lord Vivian musingly, as his mother looked quickly into his face fearing she had pained him. But why need you reproach yourself, mother? You can not force Beatrice either to love or to marry.'

'I fear I have been remiss,' said Mrs. Selwyn. 'I believe Beatrice does love some one, and has loved him for years. I am afraid she will never care for any one else, and I ought to have foreseen it.'

'Who is he mother,' asked Lord Vivian, wondering who had touched the heart of that brilliant, beautiful girl.

'I can not answer the question,' said Mrs. Selwyn; and there was something so significant in the tone of her voice that her son looked up at her in wondering amazement.

Like lightning the thought flashed over him. Could it be himself? Was it possible that Beatrice had loved him all these years—that she had refused such excellent offers for his sake? He was but mortal man, and his vanity was flattered at the thought.

'Mother,' he said, gently, 'you should have been less or more explicit. Tell me truly, do you mean that Beatrice cares for me in that kind of way—you know?'

'I should not have spoken,' she said. 'Do not be angry with me Vivian. I believe she has loved and cared for you all her life.'

'I never dreamed of such a thing,' he said simply, and the conversation ended.

But he thought again and again of his mother's words. Beatrice loved him and he thought to himself that he might just as well make her happy as not. Everyone was telling him that he ought to marry again, that a mistress was wanted for Selwyn Castle and a mother for his young heir.

If, as every one, said he ought to marry, who so well fitted for his wife as Beatrice Leigh? He was flattered to think that she loved him. It would make her happy, it would make his mother happy; as for himself—Lord Vivian shrugged his shoulders—happiness and sorrow were much alike to him.

Two or three days afterward, Lord Selwyn asked Miss Leigh if she could spare him a few minutes he had something important to say, and she who had long ceased to hope that the desire of her heart would be given to her thought it was something about Rupert, or the domestic affairs of the household, and told him she was going down to the lodge, and he might walk with her.

So they went together down the fresh dewy glades of the park; there was a tender green on the young larch buds, and pink may shone bright on the hedges, and then Lord Selwyn, without any show of passion or great affection, asked Beatrice Leigh if she would be his. As he said the words, there came to him a memory of that sunny hour under the laburnum-tree, when the fair, sweet face of Violante had looked up at him, and she had laughed with tears in her eyes, at the thought of being a 'fine lady.' That wooing had been all fire and passion; this was prosaic and commonplace, although he was asking one of the most beautiful women in England to be his wife.

There was one flash of startled joy in her face, one gleam of love that for a moment made her beauty almost divine, then she answered quietly as he had asked, and Lord Selwyn half-wondered if his mother had been mistaken.

They were married quietly; and if Lady Beatrice Selwyn, remembering what she had called Lord Vivian's 'infatuation' for the young wife, felt any disappointment that he showed no infatuation for her, she made no sign. She had secured her heart's desire; she had driven the fair, loving young wife, her rival, by scorn and insult, by continued petty persecutions, by woman's wit and woman's malice, from home—she reigned in her own place, and she was content.

(to be continued.)

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Reserve.....	£844,576 19 11
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Balance of profit and loss acct.....	67,895 12 6

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Accumulated Fund (Life Branch).....	£3,274,835 19 1
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	£3,747,983 2 3

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FROM THE LIFE DEPARTMENT.	
Nett Life Premiums and Interest.....	£469,075 5 3
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	£593,792 13 4

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## Daily Colonist.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 24, 1888.

## The British Special Envoy at the Vatican.

The friendly sentiments of esteem exchanged between Her Gracious Majesty the Queen—through her special envoy—and the illustrious Leo XIII. ought to have great weight amongst all really loyal supporters of the two greatest forces in the world today—the British Empire and the Catholic Church. Some lover of toleration, with abundant means, would serve the cause of religion and patriotism by having the two addresses, quoted in the following article from the London Tablet, handsomely printed and hanged up in lodge rooms, offices, and other places of resort; and also in the schools. What a grand lesson would be thus taught to the adult, and more particularly the rising generation!

The Duke of Norfolk, as her Majesty's Special Envoy to his Holiness, was lately received at the Vatican in public audience with all the state and ceremony with which the Pontifical Court surrounds the reception of special embassies and missions. The Duke, wearing the uniform of Earl Marshal, the Order of the Garter, and the Pontifical Order of Christ, and accompanied by his first secretary, Mr. Le Marchant Gosselin, and the Hon. Gilbert Hastings, and Captain Ross, attached to the Mission, was received with the usual honors by the Palatine Guard, the Swiss Guard, and the Noble Guard, and met at the entrance of the State apartments by the Maestro di Camera and the Chamberlains in Waiting. Notice having been given of his Grace's arrival, the Holy Father entered the throne-room and took his seat upon the throne, surrounded by cardinals, prelates, and the bearers of the great hereditary offices in his Court. The Special Mission was then introduced, and the Duke, after the marks of respect prescribed by etiquette, advanced and addressed the Pope in words of which an official translation is published in the *Osservatore*, and which, as the occasion was so exceptionally interesting, we reproduce in this place: "Most Holy Father," said His Grace, "Her Majesty the Queen, my Most Gracious Sovereign, having been pleased to select me as her Majesty's Special Envoy to express to your Holiness in a public and formal manner, her sense of courtesy shown by the mission of Mgr. Ruffo Scilla to convey your Holiness's congratulations on the fiftieth anniversary of her reign, I have the honor to present to your Holiness her Majesty's letter, accrediting me for that purpose. Her Majesty has commanded me to say that in confiding to me this mission she has been moved, not only by a desire to acknowledge this proof of your Holiness's goodwill towards her, but also to give expression to her feeling of deep respect for the elevated character of Christian wisdom which you have displayed in your high position. The temperate sagacity with which your Holiness has corrected errors and assuaged differences from which much evil might otherwise have arisen inspires her Majesty with the earnest hope that life and health may long be granted to you, and that your beneficent action may be long continued. In conclusion, I beg leave to be permitted to express to your Holiness how very sensible I am of the honor which has been conferred upon me by my gracious Sovereign in selecting me for this high mission, and in making me the interpreter of her Majesty's sentiments on this occasion." The Holy Father, rising from his throne, and speaking in French, replied: "It was with pleasure that we sent our special representative to London, six months ago, charged to offer in our name, to her Majesty the Queen of England our congratulations on the fiftieth anniversary of her glorious accession to the Throne. Our joy is not less in receiving today from your Grace the congratulations and the compliments of the Queen your Sovereign on the occasion of our sacerdotal jubilee. We accept her Majesty's missive with gratitude, and thank her for the choice which she has made of your illustrious person, so dear to us, in order to convey that missive to us. We would further, on this specially propitious day, publicly testify our great satisfaction with the liberty which the Catholic religion enjoys throughout the vast British Empire, and which permits that religion to prosper more and more. This happy result—we love to acknowledge it—is due to the profound wisdom of her Majesty and to the enlightened spirit of her Government. We request your Grace to convey our sentiments to her Majesty the Queen, whose glory and prosperity we most ardently hope for." The Duke of Norfolk then presented the members of his suite, and had a private audience of his Holiness, who, according to a Reuter's telegram, spoke of his affection for the English people and the Queen, and expressed a hope that this exchange of sentiments of affection between her Majesty and himself would not be limited to the present exceptional circumstance, but would also make its influence felt on other occasions. He is also said to have recalled the friendship shown towards him by her Majesty in 1846, when, on quitting the nunciature at Brussels, he proceeded to London and delivered to the Queen a letter from King Leopold to her Majesty and the Prince Consort. After the audience, the Duke and his suite paid the customary ceremonial visit to the Cardinal Secretary of State, and in the evening was entertained by his Eminence at dinner together with Prince Liechtenstein, the Austrian Special Envoy, who had been received in audience on the previous day.

## SAINT JOHN'S ATHENÆUM

## The 27th Annual Report.

The Committee of the St. John's Athenæum in reporting the result of the operations and condition of the Society, regret that they cannot present a more favorable record for the past year.

For the past few years the Committee has, in its annual report, been compelled to draw attention to the constantly decreasing interest exhibited by the public in the fortunes of the one general literary institute of the city. The St. John's Athenæum has now, for the first time, for many years, to contemplate the fact that the receipts for 1887 did not meet the expenditure by forty-three pounds. The causes of this condition of affairs may be sought for in a variety of circumstances. The establishment of various associations, having a mixed literary and social scope, without the wide and more liberal objects at which this society aims, has largely trespassed on our domain. The cheapness of general literature brought about by American printed reproductions of the best British authors, has been a secondary cause, which together with the listlessness and indifference to the efforts of our most talented lecturers, account for the deficiency in our exchequer. That deficiency can be better understood by a perusal of the following figures showing the receipts for lectures and entertainments for the past several years, viz:—

1882.....	£123 19 9
1883.....	92 12 10
1884.....	75 18 1
1885.....	43 13 7
1886.....	88 15 6
1887.....	30 10 4

Was the nett result of the course. From the lecture course alone which had on its platform the most distinguished talent, lay and clerical, that the city can boast of, the nett earnings were only five pounds. The gross income for the past year has been much below that of former years, as will be seen by a comparison of the receipts which—

In 1886 gave.....	£541 11 0
Expenditure in 1886.....	529 19 4
Against receipt in 1887 of.....	440 0 3
Expenditure.....	472 9 9
Leaving a balance against the Institute for the year of.....	32 9 6

The subscription list to the Reading-room and Library has also been reduced from 339 in 1886, to 293 in 1887.

The latter item betrays a greater danger to the stability of the institution than even the decline in the receipts for the lecture course, which depend somewhat on weather and rivalry of entertainment.

Upon a review of these circumstances your committee would venture to suggest, as a subject for consideration, whether it might be advisable to still further relax, without injury to its usefulness, the literary tone of the institution, so as to bring it more in accordance with the tastes developed and sustained by its more distinctly social and less strictly literary competitors. Failing such alterations in its constitution, the question suggests itself, how far the Athenæum would be justified in contending with the enormous expenditure which it is forced to bear, paying, as it does, to the Athenæum Joint Stock Company, for its lodgment in the building £220 a year, as will be seen by the following figures:—

Rent of Library and Reading-room.....	£145 0 0
Coal.....	33 14 6
Salary of keeper.....	12 10 0
Rent of hall.....	30 0 0
	£220 4 6

Your committee do not feel warranted in recommending any radical change, but merely take the liberty of suggesting the subject for the consideration of the Society. In this connection the committee entertain high hopes for the success of the coming course of lectures and entertainments, relying on the fact, of which they feel flattered, that His Excellency, Governor Blake, has consented to open the series by a lecture on the 30th instant. His Excellency's literary reputation, of which the world of letters has already had a proof, apart from the dignity of his exalted position in this colony, will be certain to secure a liberal patronage for our lecture hall this season.

The committee have to thank the following gentlemen for their talented services on the lecture platform in aid of the society, viz: Hon. Mr. Justice Pinsent, D.C.L., Dr. Tait, Dr. Rendell, Rev. W. S. Lalor, Rev. Mr. Currie and Thomas McDowell, Esq., B.A. And we also tender the thanks of the institution to those ladies and gentlemen who so kindly and generously lent their talents and time in the entertainments.

The committee have to record, with deep regret, the death, during the past year, of William Boyd, Esq. Mr. Boyd was one of the original founders of the Athenæum, and his connection with the Society terminated only with his death; and the want created by the loss of his experience and ability in the management of its business will be very difficult to fill.

In conclusion we earnestly recommend the condition of the Association to the thoughtful consideration of the subscribers and supporters, believing that nothing but a vigorous and enlightened patronage will maintain in its efficiency

the oldest and most meritorious institution of which the colony can boast.

The accounts for the year 1887 have been duly audited and are herewith submitted.

Respectfully submitted,

CHAS. BOWRING, President.

J. J. FLANNERY, Secretary.

It was moved by Mr. Thomas Mitchell and seconded by Mr. J. R. McCowan that the above report be adopted.

The following officers were elected to serve for the ensuing year:—

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HON. M. MONROE and JAS. BAIRD, Esq., Vice-Presidents.

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## RIP VAN WINKLE.

Some Bogus Confederation Kite Flying.

(To the Editor of the Colonist.)

DEAR SIR,—Just twenty years ago the letters of "An Outsider," "on the present state of Newfoundland on Confederation," were the subject of a good deal of discussion. I was the youngest of eight, by some twelve or fifteen years, who used to spend a pleasant hour in the comfortable and cosy little sitting-room of Mr. Chas. Loughlan, discussing the various topics of the day, chief amongst which was the subject of "Confederation." The letters of "An Outsider," which are now appearing in the *Telegram*, I fancied was familiar to me, both in argument and language; and, being curious on the matter, I overhauled an old trunk the other day, and my search was rewarded by finding, in pamphlet form, the letters of "An Outsider," now being published in the *Telegram* of 1868, word for word. I have an idea that the "Outsider" of twenty years ago is not the "Outsider" of today, and that some one is trading on the brains of the *Newfoundlander's* correspondent.

My reason for so thinking is, "that the preface I now enclose you is, to my mind, far more applicable today than it was twenty years ago, and the experience gained since first these letters were written must have added to, or lessened the arguments of "An Outsider." I may be wrong in my suspicions, but there seems to be a fishy round-about connection about these letters, and so I intend (if you will give me the use of your columns), to draw a few comparisons on the opinions of twenty years ago with these of today. I therefore ask you to publish the enclosed preface to "An Outsider's" letters of 1868.

I may also remark that if the *Telegram's* "Outsider" is one and the same person, as the *Newfoundlander* writer, it will be unnecessary for me to make any further comments, as I presume he will, in good time, draw his several comparisons, seasoned by experience. I am, Mr. Editor, yours, HARDWARE.

About this time last year one of our contributors exposed the bogus correspondence of 'the third daily' on confederation. The letters appearing now "on the present state of Newfoundland and confederation," were published in the *Newfoundlander* nearly twenty years ago. If our contemporary keeps his promise, to publish the conclusion today, it will discourse on "our trade" and taxation, and wind up as follows. We will give the preface mentioned by our correspondent tomorrow; he will see the point of giving the conclusion today:

"I have now finished all I have to say about Confederation. I have written on conviction, and if I have not communicated that conviction to others, I have at least pleaded imperfectly, but honestly, a cause full of import to this country—a country whose very miseries make it interesting even to the stranger, while it has stronger claims on the interest and affection of its children.

"Viewing the great Union proposed to us in itself, independently of questions of tariff, taxation, &c., we are sensible of a sort of instinct that urges us to adopt it. Twenty thousand pounds more or less will not make Newfoundland more or less than she is till she drifts into the current of civilization and industry. Confederation is not a financial question, it is a social one; ours is a disease that money, instead of curing, will only aggravate, as experience has proved. We want those things that gold can never buy—industry, self-dependence, assimilation with the active races that surround us; and these can only be conferred by union with them—union of rule, union of sympathies, and union of interests. "AN OUTSIDER. "Jan. 30, 1869."

The steamer Falcon, Captain William Knee, will sail for Greenspond on or about Thursday next preparatory to sailing for the ice on the tenth of March. The bulk of her sealing crew will be taken from Greenspond and vicinity, and only men enough to "handle" the ship will go from here.

## Correspondence.

The Editor of this paper is not responsible for the opinions of correspondents.

## "HAIDEE" ANSWERS "CHARLIE."

## HIS EGOTISM AND CYNICISM REBUKED.

(To the Editor of the Colonist.)

DEAR SIR,—I have read "Charlie's" reply to my letter, and couched in such conceited terms as the dear fellow's proposal for a literary marriage with me is, I fear me, that having once placed the grievances of my class in public print, I cannot but accept him. Did you not see, Mr. Editor, how conceited he must be when he wrote in reply to me, that he "was going to contract a literary marriage because it was not forever and no serious consequences could come of it." It is the attentions of us girls that have spoiled all such as "Charlie," and have given them such an awful big opinion of themselves. We are, in order to be agreeable, in the habit of laughing at their most stupid jokes, and of opening our eyes wide at their dull anecdote and their stories about their adventures as if we were trying to expand our sight to a sufficient degree to take in the mighty hero and his uncommon smartness at the one glance. We are compelled to undergo regular "bores" of this nature from the fact of the scarcity of eligible husbands, and also from the fact that as society is at present constituted, few men of brains can abandon themselves to its frivolity, vanity, and small talk. It is an old and trite saying that we cannot have all things as we wish them in this world, and so it is but one out of a hundred that has both brains and money, and happy is the woman who can be satisfied with the latter. The lady who marries money must seek her happiness by plunging in the whirlpool of fashion, and by an indulgence in a constant round of gaiety; whereas, she who weds to brains and energy finds rational enjoyment at her own fireside, be it in the city or the wilderness.

But I must stop this moralizing and return to "Charlie." Whether he has the money or not, I believe he has a little brains, and I hope, before I am done with that, this I will convince him—for he is worthy of being convinced, though innocent I appeared to him—that I fully appreciate his perception and witty description of the surroundings and weaknesses of us girls. His description of the inside of ladies drawing-rooms was quite humorous, but still somewhat unkind of our kindness in having sofa covers and cushions for him to luxuriate on, and his story about his taking away an antimacassar on the button of his coat may have been a ruse of the lady to get him back again, as, perhaps, he was a seldom but welcome visitor. "Charlie" having been such a truthful critic of the faults of our sex, and having admitted the faults of his own class, I must be equally frank with him and give him my opinion of the Cockney English of garrison towns. I must admit that it seems strange to hear one or two of us in a family say "pauss," while all the other members say the correct word pass. It is a well-known fact that this provincialism of petty English officers permeates the colonial town in which they may be stationed, and acting on the principle that when in Rome do as Rome does, I contracted this habit of speaking incorrectly. I am sorry to express my private opinion, as it reflects somewhat on my school companions; but I am writing this to win the good graces of "Charlie," and endeavor to show him that, apart from egotism, there is something more in the writer than the thin veneer and polish laid on at school. Although some young lady friends will be horrified at the reading, I must say, with "Charlie," that I like to see something more than a "u" in a glass, and something more than lemon-juice, for there is a time and place for all things. I am sorry to refer to the fact that "Charlie" neglected in his letter to refer to my stricture on gentlemen sleighing and skating alone. So much had this weighed with me that, unconsciously, at the rink last night, I found myself looking for him among those who so selfishly skated alone; but I thought, as I looked on, that none of those "going it single-breasted" were clever and handsome enough for "Charlie."

A cursory reading of "Charlie's" letter would lead one to believe that he is a woman-hater; but I do not believe that this is the case. Men who hate and satirize womankind as a rule, make foolish marriages for themselves, and develop into premature old men, or live on all their lives unconverted rakes. "Charlie" may be a little bit of a social rouse, but I do not believe that all he writes are an exact counterpart of his feelings. He has a good heart under this hard, practical crust. There is but one part in his letter that I do not like; that is where he makes the cold avowal of a literary marriage. It seems like grinning me, poor girl.

With kind regards, I remain, not yours, Mr. Editor, HAIDEE.

St. John's, Jan. 23rd, 1888.

The pattern of the outer railing of the King's bridge is not sufficiently large, children in crossing are liable to tumble into the river.

## THE POOR OF ST. JOHN'S.

## A Few Suggestions From Charity.

(To the Editor of the Colonist.)

SIR,—The poverty in St. John's at the present time is only known by the ladies and gentlemen of the St. Vincent de Paul, who make daily visits to the homes of the poor. In one case a family of eight children lay starving in the heart of the city. I have it from the lips of a lady visitor. The mother lay in bed with a two-months old infant, while five of the poor little ones slept under a closet on a bag of shavings, with no clothing. The father is an honest industrious man, but can't get employment at this season to keep them up. I could mention a half-dozen other cases equally as bad. Surely, Mr. Editor, something should be done in extreme cases of wretchedness to help the ladies and gentlemen of the St. Vincent de Paul in the noble work of charity. Our young men of the Academia gave a concert most every winter for the poor. I hope this letter will be a reminder of how badly it is required at the present time; The Metropolitan young men and other associations would follow. If the good ladies call on those young gentlemen of our local clubs I should say they would be only too happy to assist them in the way of getting up some amusements at this dull season of the year. Now is the time when such cases are brought to our notice; it may be too late to put it off, or close the gates when the horse is gone. Yours, etc.,

Jan. 23, 1888.

CHARITY.

## LOCAL AND OTHER ITEMS.

The harbor caught over last night.

Children's fancy dress carnival tonight.

Wool men do not generally have a sheepish appearance.

"Murray's Merry Monday Morning" crowded out until tomorrow.

The steamer Curlew left Fortune at 1 p.m. today, coming home.

The Placentia line is constructed to within six miles of the proposed terminus.

The Postmaster at St. Louis has decided that mince pie is not mailable matter.

Santa Claus is said to be of German origin. His favorite oath, we presume, is "By Chimney."

The highest point attained by the thermometer during the last twenty-four hours was 19; the lowest 3.

The engineers of St. John's will dine together at Lash's rooms on Wednesday evening, the 25th inst.

The skating carnivals to come off in the City Rink during next month are expected to be the grandest ever seen in St. John's.

The schooner Silver Spray, belonging to M. Tobin, is at present in Trepassay, produce laden, on her way from Prince Edward Island.

Disastrous floods are reported in Seville. Six lives have been lost and many persons injured. The damage by the floods in Malaga is estimated at \$200,000.

PREPARE FOR JACK FROST.—The weather is reported to be unusually severe in New England; and it is quite likely that the cold wave may strike here in a few days.

A correspondent at Carbonear reports that the Dramatic Club of Harbor Grace visited there on the 19th, and acted the drama entitled "The Mountain Chieftain" in a manner deserving the highest praise.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.—"Talav-an-Eask," "Citizen," and "Third Citizen." We will attend to your correspondence tomorrow. The first part of a well-written sketch, entitled: "A Night in Bay Despair," will appear in our next.

Mr. William Clapp, who studied law under Messrs. Whiteway & Johnson, and who recently passed a creditable examination, has started in business for himself. His office is situated in the new "Telegram" building, on Duckworth-street. We wish him success.

In answer to a telegram conveying the best wishes and congratulations of the Archbishop, clergy and laity of the diocese of Halifax, sent directly to the Holy Father by the Archbishop on occasion of the jubilee, the following answer was received: "To Archbishop O'Brien, of Halifax. The good wishes of your Grace, the clergy and the people were most pleasing to the Holy Father and he lovingly bestows on you and all the faithful, the Apostolic Benediction. (Signed) CARDINAL RAMPELLA."

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